

Blatchford, Paul
(Chicago, IL)

1922

PAUL BLATCHFORD

SEPT 1915

CITY HALL SQUARE BUILDING

TELEPHONE CENTRAL 4128

CHICAGO, July 31, 1922.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway between 155 and 156 Sts.,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

I have been referred to you by Mr. J. Arthur MacLean, Acting Director, Art Institute, Chicago, in reference to the value of a Greek coin found near Sidon, Syria, over fifty years ago. The description, as given me, is as follows:-

The coin is a gold state of Philip II of Macedon, father of Alexander the Great. The reverse bears the head of Apollo, laureated. The obverse shows a two horse chariot and driver, a thunderbolt under the horses' front feet and beneath the name of Philip, ΦΙΛΙΠΠΟΥ. This coin is described and pictured in Head's Historia Numorum, p.223, fig.135, and in Hill's Handbook of Greek and Roman Coins, pl.vii,2.

It is about the size of an English sovereign.

Any information you can give me regarding it, I assure you will be much appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Paul Blatchford

FB:HD

August 2nd, 1922

Paul Blatchford, Esq.
Suite 1915
City Hall Sq. Building
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of July 31st, I presume you desire to know the saleable value of the coin you describe. As this hinges entirely on the condition of the piece, and as no one could place a value on it without seeing it, we cannot help you unless you are willing to send the coin to us by registered mail and with return postage. Once we have the piece, we can tell you its value and perhaps make you an offer for it.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

SPH/E